

CHAPTER 628

(House Bill 1017)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Coverage for Dependents of Employees

FOR the purpose of providing that, to be covered under certain health benefit plans offered by a carrier, certain employers must agree to offer health care coverage to any dependents of an employee and agree to collect premium payments from the employee through payroll deductions and transmit those premium payments to the carrier; requiring carriers to include the requirements of this Act in their sales and solicitation literature; applying the changes under this Act to the small employer insurance market, and, if certain contingencies occur, to the large employer insurance market to the extent that the State may regulate those employers; and generally relating to the offering of insurance benefits to dependents of certain employees in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 698A

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 2 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 703(c) and 704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 2 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–706(j)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 2 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 703(c) and 704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 3 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993)